

NEW HAMPSHIRE (Sen. Shaheen and Ayotte)

Current Transportation Condition:

- 22% of major roads are in poor condition¹
 - ASCE road grade of C-2
 - Poor road conditions costing motorists \$451m a year - \$424 per motorist
 - 135 traffic fatalities in 2013³
- Vehicle travel on NH's highways has increased by 31% from 1990-2013,⁴ while the population grew by 19 percent.⁵
- 51% of NH's major highways are congested⁶
 - Traffic congestion costs American motorists \$121b a year in wasted time and fuel⁷

Commerce:

- 63% of the \$38b in commodities delivered annually from sites in NH is transported by trucks on the state's highways.⁸

Need for Federal Investment:

- 68% Federal share of NH Highway Capital Program⁹
- National Interstate Backlog of \$185.24b on 47,575 miles of interstate.¹⁰
 - National Highway System (NHS) backlog of \$424.5b on 227,224 miles of the NHS.

DRIVE Act —————→ *What this does for New Hampshire*

Prioritizing Bridge Reconstruction and Safety:

- Increased bridge set aside funding for:
 - NH's 324 structurally deficient bridges – 31% are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete¹¹
 - Current ASCE bridge grade of C¹²

Improving Commerce:

- In the first 3 years of the DRIVE Act, NH will receive \$18,594,172 in addition to growth of the existing programs for freight.
- Prioritizing federal spending on interstate for projects in the national economic interest

¹ TRIP

² ASCE

³ FHWA

⁴ TRIP

⁵ US Census

⁶ TRIP

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ TRIP

⁹ AASHTO

¹⁰ AASHTO and FHWA

¹¹ FHWA

¹² ASCE

Long-term 6-year Certainty:

- Total share for first 3 years of DRIVE Act: \$516,734,522 that the state would not get otherwise.
- 100 projects at risk without federal investment¹³
- Major Projects in jeopardy:¹⁴
 - o Expansion of I-93: The heavily used highway needs updates from bridge replacements, lane reconstructions, and ramp reconstructions
 - o US 1 Bypass – Bridge Replacement & Paint Over Piscataqua River
 - o NH 16, US 4 & Spaulding Turnpike – Exit 6 Interchange and Mainline Turnpike Construction, Including sound walls
 - o NH 16, US 4 & Spaulding Turnpike – Rehab of Existing Little Bay Bridge & Bridge Approach Construction
- Building off NEPA reforms accomplished in MAP-21, DRIVE is cutting red tape and accelerating project delivery to increase NH's ability to efficiently finish projects.
- DRIVE delivers 6 years of certainty. 12 short term extensions since SAFETEA-LU have impeded on NH's ability to properly plan and budget for transportation projects.
- DRIVE gives NH the ability to prepare for the next 50 years. With a focus on innovation, NH can better deploy technology to improve the state transportation network.

¹³ AASHTO

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